



**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE
CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION
FEBRUARY 18, 2010**

CALL TO ORDER

The Special Meeting of the Civil Service Commission was called to order at 5:30 p.m. in the Large Conference Room, Second Floor, National City Civic Center, on Thursday, February 18, 2010.

ROLL CALL

COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT: *Leticia Camacho*, Vice Chairperson
Jerry Cano, Commissioner
Raphael Courtney, Commissioner
William Sendt, Commissioner

COMMISSION MEMBERS ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: *Chris Zapata*, City Manager
Claudia Silva, Senior Asst City Attorney
Stacey Stevenson, Human Resources Director
Virginia Roe, Human Resources Technician

REPRESENTATIVES PRESENT: *Mark Beveridge*, President, NCFFA
FFA Members

SALUTE TO THE FLAG

Vice Chairperson Camacho led the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES**Regular Meeting of November 12, 2009**

Stevenson stated that, under the Brown Act, only members of the Commission that were present in the meeting were permitted to approve the minutes of the meeting, and any approval or determination of action(s) requires a quorum of the Commission. Commissioners Courtney and Sendt were not present at the November 12th meeting. It was agreed that recordings of the November 12th meeting be provided to Commissioners Courtney and Sendt for their review, and that approval of the minutes be deferred and brought back to the next regular Civil Service Commission meeting.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS***ORIENTATION: Non-action items only and discussed in the following order:***

- A. Orientation regarding the Brown Act or the "Open Meeting Law" given by Senior Assistant City Attorney Claudia Silva. Copies of the outline of the power point presentation were distributed to the members of the Commission. Question and answer period followed the presentation. Assistant City Attorney Silva answered questions of the Commission.
- B. Orientation regarding the role of the Civil Service Commissioners given by Human Resources Director Stacey Stevenson. Question and answer period followed the orientation. HR Director Stevenson answered questions of the Commission.

ACTION ITEMS:

1. **Request to create a new classification titled Director of Emergency Services.**

City Manager Chris Zapata provided a Staff Report presenting an overview of the National City Fire Department. Question and answer period ensued.

Action: Motion by Courtney, seconded by Camacho to approve the establishment of a new classification titled Director of Emergency Services. Motion carried by the following vote to wit:

AYES: CAMACHO, COURTNEY, SENDT

NAY: CANO

2. Request to exempt the Director of Emergency Services from Classified Service

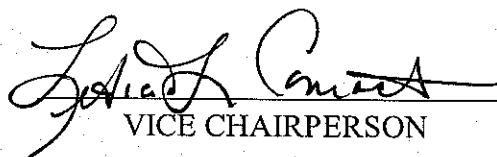
Action: Motion by Courtney, seconded by Cano and unanimously carried to exempt the position of Director of Emergency Services from classified service thereby removing this position entirely from Civil Service purview.

PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS

Former Civil Service Commission Chairperson Georgia Guarano spoke to express her disappointment on how the City management circumvents decisions made by the Civil Service Commission.

ADJOURNMENT

Vice Chairperson Camacho adjourned the special meeting at 7:40 p.m., Thursday, February 18, 2010, to the next regular meeting of the Civil Service Commission on Thursday, March 11, 2010, at 5:30 p.m., in the Large Conference Room, Second Floor of the Civic Center, 1243 National City Blvd., National City, CA 91950.


VICE CHAIRPERSON


DATE APPROVED

Special meetings may be called by the Chairperson upon the recommendation of the Personnel Director to consider matters requiring a timely resolution in accordance with the Ralph M. Brown Act per Government Code Section 54950, et. Seq.